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Parades mark Independence Day

American Memories is theme in downtown Northville

Participants in the Northville Community Foundation Independence Day Parade will be making some American Memories when they step off from the corner of Griswold and Main Street at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The 75 or so entries will include dignitaries, marching bands, entertainers, drummers, antique automobiles, the traditional pet parade, floats and a special parade of decorated bicycles. There will be vintage cars, veterans groups, fire trucks and floats from various churches, businesses and community groups marching the mile and a half parade route to the cheering of about 20,000 or so folks who come to downtown Northville every year just to see the parade.

The theme of the parade this year, American Memories, will be prevalent on all the entries, explained Foundation Executive Director Jessica Striegle, who noted that it takes months of planning and weeks of work by the volunteer committee to make sure that the parade comes off perfectly. The Northville Community Foundation has been presenting, organizing and directing the event for the past 15 years. This year, Striegle followed the blueprint of former Director Shari Peters who retired earlier this year, and has kept to the winning formula that has made the Northville parade one of the most popular throughout the area.

"Many people don't even realize that it is the Foundation that sponsors and organizes the parade," Striegle said.

Even before the foundation took on the task, Northville was known for some very special attractions in the parade.

Dr. William Demray, who has been emceeing the parade for the foundation along with radio personality Lisa Berry for the past 10 years, remembers when the parade first began and one local businessman hired elephants from out of state to march down the middle of Main Street.

"It's always been a great event," Demray said. Berry said

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Plymouth marks final march of briefcase drill team

The Kiwanis Good Morning U.S.A. Parade in downtown Plymouth will mark the final appearance of the Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team, a community tradition for more than 30 years. The besuited, briefcase-carrying team, last seen in the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade, will perform for the last time in the July 4 parade down Main Street in Plymouth.

Plymouth attorney Scott Kappler, a member of the drill team, led the organizational efforts for the parade this year and said that it had been part of Hill's life for more than 30 years and that many are sad to see it end. Hill also organized the Plymouth parade for many years and Kappler worked with him on the task for about 5 years. Kappler organized the event before Hill took over and is now back on the volunteer job.

"I don't know why I said I would do it, but I am loving every minute of it," Kappler said.

There will be 80 entries in the parade this year marching to the theme of Dream Big, including the Briefcase Drill Team, five marching bands and two Fife and Drum-type groups, clowns and other entertainers, Kappler said.

"We can truly call ourselves an international parade because one of the marching bands is from Windsor," he said.

The parade will start down Main Street from Theodore at the railroad tracks and travel about a mile and a half to Hartsough, Kappler said. It takes about 35 minutes, he estimated.

This year, Kappler said, U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow will be marching in the parade as will a special delegation of about 10 World War II veterans.

"That's an unusually large contingent of vets," Kappler said, "most of whom are from the community."

"This event could not happen without the sponsors and the help of the city," he said, "not to mention the volunteers who spend so much time on it."

Members of the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth work throughout the year establishing

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Canton mourns passing of former treasurer

Former Canton Township Treasurer and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education member Elaine Kirchgatter died June 25 in her Carmel, IN home.

Mrs. Kirchgatter, 74, succumbed to acute myeloid leukemia.

She and her husband, the late Richard Kirchgatter, were the parents of three daughters, June, Jill and Joy.

Mrs. Kirchgatter was involved in the former Plymouth Youth Symphony, 4-H, the Plymouth Community Arts Council and St. John's Episcopal Church. She served on the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Board of Education and was the Canton Township Treasurer for 16 years. She opted not to seek reelection in 2008.

Public service came naturally to Mrs. Kirchgatter, her family said. As a child growing up near Rochester, N.Y., her father served on the local school board and her mother volunteered for many community organizations. She and her husband moved to Canton Township in the early '60s where he opened his veterinary practice. Mr. Kirchgatter was active with the Canton Planning Commission, the Plymouth Rotary Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. He died of cancer in 2003.

Mrs. Kirchgatter moved to Indiana about a year ago to be close to her daughter and grandchildren. She had been in hospice care.

A family member said that the time and date for a memorial service for Mrs. Kirchgatter at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth would be announced at a later date.

Cremation rites will be accorded, according to the family.

County Mud Day is set for Tuesday in Westland

Wayne County Parks is set to transform the Hines Park-Nankin Mills area into a giant 75-foot by 150-foot mud pit playground next week.

From 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. next Tuesday, July 7, children, ages 12 and younger will have the opportunity to get down and dirty in one of the messiest playgrounds southeast Michigan has ever seen.

"Mud Day is the one day of year that kids can have fun in the mud" said Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans. "Every child should experience Mud Day at least once," Evans added.

Thousands of youngsters will charge into the mud at 11 a.m. Youngsters will be separated into age categories for events such as, "Mud Limbo" and wheelbarrow races. Also, the 2015 King and Queen of Mud will be crowned.

Children should wear old clothes and shoes and bring a clean change of clothes. There are no showers on-site, however, a clean-up area is available with hoses to aid in rinsing off the mud. Parents are also advised to bring a supply of towels. Plastic bags will be provided to ensure that all dirty clothes are properly contained for the trip home.

Kona Ice will be on hand to sell lunch items and flavored ice to the participants and their families.

The Hines Park -Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. Sponsors for Mud Day include: ITC Holdings, Community Alliance Credit Union, UAW Region IA, Fox 2 News, Friends of Wayne County Parks and the Western Wayne County HMRT.

For more information on Mud Day or any other Wayne County Parks event, call (734) 261-1990 or visit www.parks.waynecounty.com.

Belleville - Canton

Lions Club presents annual scholarship award

Nathan Harris was recently awarded a $2,000 scholarship from the Canton Lions Club to help with his college education.

Each year, the Lions Club provides two scholarships for tuition, books or campus housing to a high school student entering an accredited trade or business school, college or university.

Harris, 19, a graduate of Plymouth High School, will be attending Concordia University in Ann Arbor this fall pursuing a degree in business and marketing. He will also be continuing his soccer and track participation at Concordia. He achieved All State honors in track last year for a 61/2 foot jump. Harris is also a member of DECA, Inc., a group that prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in high school and college to complete in the business world. Harris competed at the state level of DECA in product design. He is the son of David and Dana Harris.

In awarding the Lions Club scholarships, preference is given to applicants who are sight or hearing challenged. Harris has a genetic hearing loss.

Lions Club President Robert Boyer said the club hopes to support youth whenever possible.

"Nathan Harris represents the best of the youth and we are extremely proud of what Nathan has accomplished in his academy endeavors. I think his future will be bright and he will lead others in and out of college to seek their full potential," Boyer said during the presentation of the scholarship at Rose's Restaurant in Canton last month. The ceremony was attended by Harris' parents and siblings, Andrew, Tyler and Kathryn.

David and Dana Harris congratulate their son, Nathan Harris on his scholarship award from the Canton Lions Club. Also congratulating Harris are Lions Club President Bob Boyer and Scholarship Chairman Ron Maul.

The Canton Lions club is made up of diverse people who meet on the fourth Monday of the month to assist those less fortunate in the community. For additional information on the Lions Club call Bill Van Winkle (734)254-9404 or email govbill1@wowway.com.

Parents question morale of Van Buren teachers

Members of the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education were asked to justify and explain the resignation of eight new teachers and a popular school principal during a crowded meeting earlier this month.

Parents demanded that board members answer questions about morale among teachers in the district and offer an explanation for the resignation of Kelly Villa, the former principal of Savage Elementary School. Villa had been with the district for 19 years prior to her resignation. Parents also questioned the abrupt departures of eight teachers who had only been with the district for one or two years.

One board member, Sherry Frazier, suggested that Villa's resignation was an effort to draw attention to the poor morale among district teachers.

Parents asked the board members for exit interviews with Villa to determine the reason for her departure. Frazier said that she not seen any recent exit interviews with departing employees although she had requested such information. Board President Brent Mikulski told Frazier and the audience that the administration office does keep records of the reasons employees leave the district.

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The question of potential or ongoing employee lawsuits was broached by attorney Barbara Miller, a former member of the school board. She asked for a copy of the district policy regarding informing board members of lawsuits.

One parent, Richard Rytman, suggested a professional survey of teachers during which they could answer anonymously regarding conditions and morale of educators in the district. Rytman said that he would personally fund such a survey to provide the information necessary to make changes to improve morale. He claimed that there is a serious discrepancy between what Superintendent of Schools Michael Van Tassel and the members of the board are telling the public regarding conditions in the district and actual records. Rytman said that a 2014 report that rated the Van Buren Public School in the bottom 27th percentile in the state.

"What does this do for my home value?" he asked the board. He added that the low morale of teachers is impacting the quality of education students in the district receive.

Jane Champagne, the parent of a 7-year-old who attends Savage Elementary School, said she was pleased with the education her daughter was receiving but that she felt it was possible families would leave the district as a result of the resignation of Villa.

Champagne read a letter to the board from parents in the Gifted and Talented program at the school asking for an investigation by the board members into the reasons so many teachers are resigning. She also endorsed the survey Rytman suggested.

Mikulski suggested that the issue could be discussed at the next study session of the board scheduled in August. He said this would give the board time to collect information.

Frazier was not satisfied with his suggestion, however, and said she felt the board was minimizing staff morale. She suggested the board members take some action at the July meeting.

"How many people to we have to lose?" she asked. "She's (Villa) a courageous lady who wanted to bring the focus to the point."

No official action on the issue was taken.

Warm welcome

Canton Public Safety welcomed new firefighter/paramedic, Eric Walter, to the department last week as he was sworn-in by Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett. All new firefighter/ paramedics in Canton are required to successfully complete three months of mentored orientation and training prior to becoming manpower on an assigned shift. New firefighters are on probation for one-year while they complete an extensive training program, officials said.

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Gwyn Belcher, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 16, 2015 for the following:

Program Coordinator Services: Lead #Like a Girl

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – June 23, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Williams, Sneideman, Yack Members Absent: Bennett Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director Faas, Director Mutchler, Director Trumbull, Kristin Kolb, Kristen Thomas, Joe Kosinski **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Anthony to amend the agenda to add item G-11 Consider approval of a Special Event Permit for a Carnival to be Held at the Connection Church on Sheldon Road. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to approve the Board Minutes of June 9, 2015 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, asked if lease on the property behind our DPW is up, has it been renewed, and if it has, how much it was renewed for and for how long. Director Faas explained the lease is in effect for as long as the landfill needs it. The clay on the site is used by the landfill as cover material. Director Faas did not have the exact information as to how long the lease is for. He agreed to get back to Mr. Miller. Mr. Miller asked when Wayne County would be starting the subdivision road repair/replacement. Supervisor LaJoy explained the township is waiting on the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreements. There is not a specific start date yet. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Williams, supported by Yack to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Approval of Application for One Day Special Liquor License. (CLS)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at The Canton Historical Society's "Brew, Brats & Bands at the Barn" fundraiser on Saturday, September 12, 2015; and furthermore move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Charter Township of Canton, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, September 12, 2015 at the Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne and that the Township Supervisor and Clerk be authorized to sign and submit this application. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-2. Resolution Proclaiming July as Parks & Recreation Month. (CLS)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried by all members present. **Resolution Proclaiming July as Parks & Recreation Month WHEREAS,** the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month and recognizes that these programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country; and **WHEREAS,** parks, recreation programs, and leisure activities are vitally important to enhancing the quality of life in our community, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of the Township; and **WHEREAS,** Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services provide opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to live, grow, and develop into contributing members of society and create a welcoming environment for people to come together and experience a sense of community while increasing cultural unity; and **WHEREAS,** parks and recreation programs improve the community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and **WHEREAS,** parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a safe place for children and adults to connect with nature and engage in outdoor recreation. Natural areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, provide vegetative buffers to develop and produce habitat for wildlife; and **WHEREAS,** Canton Township recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources that strengthen our community. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Canton Board of Trustees does hereby declare July as Parks and Recreation Month in Canton. Date: June 23, 2015 Philip J. LaJoy, Canton Supervisor **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consideration of Approval a new FOIA Policy and Public Summary as required by Public Act 564 of 2014. (Supv)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to approve the proposed Freedom of Information Act Policy, Procedures and Guidelines, and Written Public Summary of FOIA Procedures and Guidelines. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to direct the new policy and summary be published and distributed as required by law. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-2. Consider Award of a Contract to Nagle Paving Company for 2015 Summit on the Park - East Parking Lot Improvements. (MSD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to award a contract to the Nagle Paving Company of Novi, Michigan and authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the contract documents for the 2015 Summit on The Park East Parking Lot Improvements for an amount not-to-exceed $237,556.10. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-3. Consider Award of a Contract to Bidigare Contractors, Inc. for Construction of the Fair Oaks – Suffolk Court Water Main Replacements Project. (MSD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to award a contract to Bidigare Contractors Incorporated of Northville, Michigan and authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the contract documents for the 2014 Fair Oaks-Suffolk Court Water Main Replacements Project in the amount of $675,060 plus a 15% contingency of $100,000 for a total amount not-to-exceed $775,060. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-4. Consider Approval of a Budget Amendment to the Water and Sewer Fund for Installation of a Fiber Optic Wide Area Network. (MSD & FBD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Yack to approve a budget amendment to the Water and Sewer Fund as follows: a. Increase Expense Account #592-536.970_0050 (Water Capital Outlay Infrastructure) by $64,000 and Account #592-537.970_0050 (Sewer Capital outlay Infrastructure) by $96,000; and b. Decrease Account #592-536.990 (Transfer to Fund Balance) by $160,000. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-5. Consider Request to Create and Fill a Continuing Part-time Clerical Position in the Municipal Services Department. (MSD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to create and fill the position of Continuing Part-time Clerk in the Building & Inspection Services Division of the Municipal Services Department. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-6. Consider Approval of Site Plan for Eyeglass World. (MSD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to pass the following resolution. Motion carried by all members present. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Eyeglass World WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor, Mr. Dennis Krestel, has requested site plan approval for Eyeglass World to be located at the southeast corner of Ford Road and Oakview Road, identified as tax EDP #057-99-0001-712; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval, including the modifications summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Dennis Krestel, to approve the site plan for the proposed Eyeglass World subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. **Item G-11.** (Moved from the end of the agenda by Supervisor LaJoy to allow audience present to address this item.) **Consider approval of a Special Event Permit for a Carnival to be Held at the Connection Church on Sheldon Road. (MSD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to approve a special event permit for a carnival at the Connection Church to be held on July 9th through 12th, 2015 subject to the applicant meeting all of conditions outlined by staff. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-7. Approve IT Services – Township Email Upgrade (FBD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to approve the moving of Township email services from on premise to a hosted solution and to approve a purchase order not to exceed the amount of $59,000 to CDWg for Microsoft Office 365 Exchange licensing and professional services provided for this upgrade. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-8. Approve IT Services – Firewall Platform Upgrade. (FBD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to approve purchase of new firewall equipment, software, support and professional services from CDWg in an amount not to exceed $65,826. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-9. Award Three (3) Housing Rehabilitation Contracts. (FBD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation at xxxx Briarfield to Stratton Home Improvement in the amount of $21,450 plus a contingency of $2,145 for a purchase order total of $23,595. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation at xxxx Hanford to Pranam Global Tech in the amount of $12,550 plus a contingency of $3,505 for a purchase order total of $16,055. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation at xxxx Ridge Rd to Stratton Home Improvement in the amount of $24,800 plus a contingency of $200 for a purchase order total of $25,000 Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-10. Approve Consultant for the CDBG Consolidated Plan, 2016 Annual Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. (FBD)** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to award the contract for the CDBG 5 Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing to Wade Trim in the amount of $35,000. Motion carried by all members present. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz thanked every department within the township for their support during the 2015 Liberty Fest. Trustee Yack commented on the progress being made at the factory site in Cherry Hill Village. The building are coming down and the site is showing development. **ADJOURN:** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. _____ **Terry G. Bennett, Clerk**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. Publish: July 2, 2015 EC070215-1153 2.5 x 10.888

NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

Watchdog group confronts township supervisor

Plymouth Township Supervisor Shannon Price took more than an hour last week to answer critics during a meeting of the Plymouth Concerned Citizens group at the Plymouth District Library.

Price, who has been the object of much criticism both from members of the group and other residents, addressed many of the issues and answered questions from the 35 or so people in attendance. Following his introductory remarks, citizens asked him questions on a wide range of topics.

In response to a question about his moving to the township just weeks prior to being named supervisor last April, Price said that he didn't want to move before the county commission election. "I didn't want to give my opponent anything to talk about."

Many in attendance had questions or comments regarding the recent appointment of Mike Mitchell, Price's former aide during his tenure as a Wayne County commissioner, to a newly-created $60,000 position as Director of Parks and Grants in the township. The parks job requirements called for an individual with a four-year degree in engineering, a valid drivers license and the possession of "interpersonal and communication skills necessary to interact with the public, staff and outside agency personnel."

Mitchell and two other candidates were recently vetted and interviewed by Trustee Kay Arnold, Northville Township Manager Rick Snider and Township Human Resources Director JoAnn Coobitis. Observers commented that Price had pre-selected Mitchell for the job and that his qualifications did not meet the job description allegedly posted on the township website.

Price said that the parks director was a needed position as, "The treasurer (Ron Edwards) was doing double duty, working late at night. We asked who was in charge of the grants. The fire chief has grants sitting on his desk. It was the same process we used to get a building foreman."

Resident Chris Hunter asked Price why he was not more forthcoming about the new park director. "Your withholding gives the appearance of impropriety," Hunter said. His remarks were seconded by activist Brian Bentley who said the citizens

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>
> **Don Soenen**

know that Mitchell is treasurer of the Wayne County Conservative Political Action Committee, which donated a total of $14,800 to Price's campaign committee in 2012 and 2014.

"I never denied we were friends. When we posted the job he decided he wanted to apply. If you want to question integrity, you can also question Kay Arnold, Chip Snider and Coobitis."

State Rep. Kurt Heise, a Plymouth resident, asked Price if he was going to ask Mitchell to resign as the chairman of the 11th District Republican Committee.

"I don't tell him what to do after hours," Price said. "If it interferes with his work, we'll address it,"

Resident and Republican Party precinct delegate Paul Garon asked Price, "How can you justify the golf course when they're constantly losing money?"

In response Price said that there was talk of building a new club house, adding a driving range and establishing new hours. He suggested that a partnership with a private operator could be something to consider at the facility which operates at a $50,000 to $100,000 annual loss.

Price said that there would be a survey regarding recreation in the township and the golf course and the proposed amphitheater would be part of that. He said the amphitheater plan would not go forward without citizen input.

Susan Bondie and Carol Leroue, leaders of the Plymouth Concerned Citizens group, voiced their concerns.

Bondie asked Price when a financial report on the golf course would be available. Price responded that the computer system is being converted from an old DOS system to a new operating method.

Leroue asked about the financial reports in the township, "We ask questions but we never get answers. I've been waiting for 10 years now and what we need is a forensic audit," she said. "How much money do we have in the bank?"

Price responded that he was meeting with vendors and considering the bidding of the township auditing services.

"I think we need to look at that when we bid out our auditing services."

Price also defended the recent awarding of the township rubbish hauling contract to a company whose owner donated to his campaign. Price responded that the Rizzo Environmental Services contract was the most financially sound for the township with the lowest rate increase.

"Rizzo is a half-million cheaper than the next-lowest vendor," Price said.

Price denied being opposed to the Plymouth Area Recreation Center, (PARC), the plan which will convert the former Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth to an arts and recreation complex.

He said he has met with Don Soenen, the leader of the PARC group, several times.

"I've got a lot of questions," he said, referring to a proposed millage to fund the PARC facility.

Plymouth

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the groundwork for the event, contacting sponsors and entries. The real work on the parade begins in February, he said, and applications for parade entries are mailed out in March or April.

"There are volunteers on the committee who get a lot of the work done and on the day of the parade, there are probably 100 volunteers, handing out water, distributing programs and performing tasks that need done," he said.

Sponsors for the parade this year include:

The Wilcox Foundation
Dick Scott Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, RAM
Plymouth Physical Therapy Specialists
Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce
Caviston Insurance Agency
Community Financial Credit Union
Cole, Newton and Duran CPAs
Herriman & Associates
Hines Park Lincoln
Great Clips of Plymouth
Horton Plumbing & Remodeling
Plymouth Dental Associates
Bank of Ann Arbor
Burroughs, Inc.
CD Sparling Company
DJL Builders
Monroe Bank and Trust
Morse Dental Group
Victory Honda

Northville

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she couldn't agree more and has been coming to Northville for the parade for nearly two decades.

"I don't think I have missed one in 20 years," she said.

Not that the pair haven't had some interesting experiences as they narrate the passing floats and attractions.

"They love to spray us with water," Berry said. "Many of the floats or marchers have water guns or sprays, and often, by the end of the parade, we are drenched. Of course, when it is really warm, that's not so bad," she laughed.

The floats with fireworks, too, often determine that the best place to ignite the munitions is right in front of Demray and Berry.

"I know its coming and I still jump," Berry said.

The pair agreed that the hometown flavor of the Northville parade is something special.

"This parade really shows people there is real meaning to things like our Declaration of Independence," Demray said. "Everybody feels that spirit of patriotism."

Again this year, the major sponsor of the parade is St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia.

In addition to the parade, the Northville Community Foundation, a registered 501 c 3 also manages, supports and operates Maybury Farm. Striegle said the Foundation exists for the purpose of enhancing and enriching life in the Northville community and southeast Michigan. The Foundation supports nonprofits, educational programs, youth and senior programs, the performing arts and historical preservation in the community.

(A guide to the parade exhibits is included as a special insert in this edition of The Eagle.)

Garden Walk Wednesday

Whimsical Wonderland, the 22nd Annual Garden Walk in Northville will take place from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 9.

Visitors to the seven Northville gardens will be treated to a garden market, live music and complimentary refreshments in the theme-decorated tea room of the 19th century Cady Inn and a chance to win one of seven items or gift certificates.

Tickets are $10 and available at Gardenviews Garden Gallery, 117 E. Main St., (248) 380-8881 or on the day of the walk at the gate at Historic Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold St. in Northville which is the center of the walk and other activities.

Proceeds from the walk will be used to help support local and national organizations that promote environmental and horticultural causes as well as provide several scholarships to local high school students who plan to go on in earth science or other environment or science careers.

The walk is organized by the members of the Country Garden Club of Northville.

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Inkster - Romulus

Romulus woman faces charges in boy's death

Kimberly Garrett of Romulus has been charged with second degree murder in the auto accident that took the life of an 8-year-old Westland boy.

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy amended the criminal charges following the death of the child, who had been on life support at a local hospital, June 24 of the injuries he suffered when struck by the car Garrett was driving on June 20.

According to police reports, Garrett, 39, was seen leaving the scene on Darwin Street near Delton in Westland after her car struck the boy who was riding his bike near his home. The witness said Garrett's car drove off the road into a ditch at about 8:24 p.m. and struck the child.

Garrett did not stop at the scene, according to police reports, and the witness called 911 and then followed Garrett to a home in the 8800 block of Cromwell in Romulus. Romulus officers arrested Garrett and subsequently turned her over to Westland Police.

A not-guilty plea was entered for Garrett during her arraignment in 18th District Court in Westland where she was charged with drunken driving causing a serious injury; one count of reckless driving causing serious impairment of a body function; one count of failure to stop at the scene of an accident resulting in serious impairment or death and a misdemeanor count of operating while intoxicated/second offense. She was arraigned on the amended charge of second degree murder, along with the other infractions, on Monday in the 18th District Court.

She remains in incarcerated in lieu of a $500,000 cash/surety bond while awaiting her next court appearance.

Illegal narcotics may also have been a factor in the incident, police said.

Inkster man charged with prostitution, slavery

Jahan Satati Green of Inkster is facing seven felony charges including human trafficking in what authorities have called a slavery operation.

Green, 38, is accused of forcing two women into six years of prostitution in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Prosecutors claim that he operated an online escort service and took the women, described as "young adults" to Detroit area hotels where they were forced to perform sex acts and collect money. Green is accused of forcing the women to then give the money to him, according to charges filed by Attorney General Bill Schuette's office.

Green was arrested and arraigned June 22 in 22nd District Court in Inkster on seven felony charges including human trafficking and conducting a criminal enterprise along with charges of forced labor involving commercial sex and prostitution by transporting a person and prostitution by accepting earnings.

If convicted, he faces penalties of 20 years imprisonment on each charge.

He was given a $500,000 cash bond and remains in the Wayne County Jail awaiting his next court hearing.

The charges were brought by the Human Trafficking Unit of the attorney general's office, which was created to work with local, state and federal law enforcement to prosecute such cases.

Human trafficking is the second-largest and fastest-growing criminal industry in the world, after drug trafficking, according to the release.

Teens accused of shooting woman's teeth

No decision has been made available as yet regarding the extradition to Florida of two Inkster brothers accused of shooting four people with a BB gun.

Reports of the incident allege that the boys, ages 12 and 16, were staying at the home of their grandmother at the Holly Hills complex near Daytona Beach in Florida when they intentionally shot out one woman's teeth and injured three others at the apartment complex swimming pool.

The boy's mother, reportedly brought the boys home to Inkster when she learned of their crimes rather than have them spend the remainder of the summer with their grandmother in Florida as had been planned.

According to police affidavits, the woman who was shot in the mouth on June 8 lost two teeth and also sustained a shoulder injury. Another victim, who was shot in the back, thought he sustained a "severe bee sting," and his wife was shot in the chest. Another woman bled after she was shot in the shoulder, according to reports from the Daytona newspaper.

Police said the boys aimed the BB gun from the window of their grandmother's apartment window. The boys admitted to police that they had touched the BB gun, but denied shooting at the victims, according to police.

The woman whose teeth were damaged reportedly does not have dental insurance coverage to repair her broken teeth, police reports indicated.

If returned to Florida, each of the boys faces charges of aggravated battery with a weapon, which is a felony, and simple assault, which is a misdemeanor.

One of the victims, Clifford Woods, told the Daytona Beach newspaper he thinks the boys should be charged.

"Maybe they can learn a lesson," said Woods, whose wife was also injured in the shooting. "Maybe they can get a wake-up call before something happens like they (end up) killing someone."

Tigers outing set

Romulus Night at Comerica Park is planned for Wednesday, Aug. 4.

The $65 ticket includes a bus ride and refreshments to and from Comerica Park.

The Tigers will play the Minnesota Twins beginning at 7:08 p.m.

The bus will leave Romulus City Hall at 5 p.m.

There are only 100 tickets available at Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce, 11189 Shook Road, Suite 200, Romulus, MI, 48174.

For more information or to reserve tickets, call (734) 893-0694 .

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1. Obituaries

Mack Hamilton Ivory, Sr.
Sunrise: April 9, 1925
Sunset: June 11, 2015

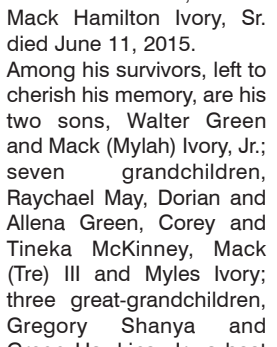
Mack Hamilton Ivory, Sr. died June 11, 2015.

Among his survivors, left to cherish his memory, are his two sons, Walter Green and Mack (Mylah) Ivory, Jr.; seven grandchildren, Raychael May, Dorian and Allena Green, Corey and Tineka McKinney, Mack (Tre) III and Myles Ivory; three great-grandchildren, Gregory Shanya and Gregg Hawkins, Jr.; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins, and many friends, including a special friend, James (Bubba) Horne.

Funeral services took place at New Birth Baptist Church in Inkster with the Rev. Dr. Joseph a. Stephens officiating.

Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster.

Interment was at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth.



Jeralene Kurtz Talley
May 23, 1899
June 17, 2015

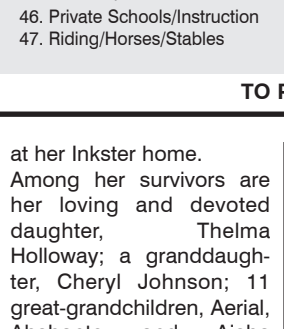
Jeralene Kurtz Talley, 116, the oldest woman in the world, died June 17, 2015 at her Inkster home.

Among her survivors are her loving and devoted daughter, Thelma Holloway; a granddaughter, Cheryl Johnson; 11 great-grandchildren, Aerial, Ahshante and Aisha Holloway, Jearnere Davis, Dajuane Lee, Shanice and Sharneay Jones, Deshonda Edwards and Shakia Holloway; eight great-great-grandchildren; two great-nephews, one great- niece, many step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren, a godson, Tyler Kinloch and many special friends, including Marion Allen, Shirstonna Campbell, Mary Kennedy, Michael Kinloch and Edric D. Morris; her New Jerusalem Church family; her physician, Dr. Jairaj Mulchadani; her physical therapist, K. Khan; a host of other relatives, and many other friends.

Funeral services took place at New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Inkster with the Rev. Dana L. Darby officiating.

Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster.

Interment was at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth.



Russell "Fatman" Davis
June 24, 1944
June 19, 2015

Russell "Fatman" Davis died June 19, 2015.

Among his survivors left to cherish his memory are his son, Russell (Yvonne) Davis, Jr.; three daughters, LaToya (Bernard), Anya, and Shalonda (Kevin); three sisters, Delores Yharbrough, Gwendolyn Cannedy and Peggy (Joseph) Moton; three brothers, Richard, Ronnie and George; an aunt, Pearl Childs; 19 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins, and many friends.

The Rev. Ronnie Davis officiated at funeral services at the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster.

Final rites were accorded by Serenity Cremation Service.

Evelyn Parham
Sunrise: May 3, 1920
Sunset: June 17, 2015

Evelyn Parham died June 17, 2015.

Among those survivors left to cherish her memory are her devoted children, Alonzo (Mary), Carolynne, Andrew, Patricia (Robert), Pamela (James), and Janet (Richard); her 15 loving grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; her special friend, Shirley Knight; her entire Middlebelt Baptist Church family including the Rev. James Thomas, and many friends.

Mrs. Parham was preceded in death by her husband, her sons and a son-in-law.

Funeral services took place at Middlebelt Baptist Church in Inkster with the Rev. Roscoe Belton officiating.

Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster.

Interment was at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia.

Fed Kelly
Sunrise: Feb. 15, 1924
Sunset: June 18, 2015

Fed Kelly died June 18, 2015.

Among those survivors left to cherish his memory are his children; his loving brother, Albert Kelly of Lansing; a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; many other family members and a host of friends. Mr. Kelly was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers and a sister. Funeral services took place at Pentecost Baptist Church in Romulus with the Rev. Arthur Willis, Sr. officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster.

Final rites were accorded by Serenity Creation Services.

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Wayne extends deadline for manager job

Members of the Wayne City Council came to a quick decision after interviewing five candidates for the job of city manager: They need more time and a more comprehensive search for candidates.

Lisa Nocerini, a consultant on contract to the city for $4,000 a month, was recently appointed as interim city manager until an acceptable candidate can be hired.

Five candidates were interviewed last month by a committee including Mayor James Hawley and council members Skip Monit and Susan Rowe. Following their report to council regarding the interviews and qualifications of the candidates, they said that as a committee, they did not reach a conclusion regarding a candidate for the job.

Two candidates for the job, Inkster Fire Operations Officer John Adams and Belleville Mayor Kareen Conley were in attendance at the meeting and Rowe asked if they could speak to the council members regarding their credentials and qualifications. That suggestion was rejected by Hawley who said the city needed "to be careful."

> *Hiring a city manager may take more time than originally anticipated.*

Monit noted that the committee members were not rejecting the candidates who had been interviewed, only that they felt they would like to see more applicants for the job. The city only accepted applications for one week. A subsequent advertisement in the Michigan Municipal League and the International City Managers Association lists a deadline of July 16. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree with a master's degree preferred in public administration or business administration, 10 years of success as a senior-level executive in a public sector organization with a council/manager structure.

Council members opted to keep Nocerini in place while they seek other candidates for the job.

Hawley said that Nocerini is "doing a great job." He added that hiring a city manager may take more time than originally anticipated.

Annual scholarships presented by Rotary

The Westland Rotary Club recently presented scholarships to several Wayne-Westland students who will be entering college this fall.

"This is always a great day in Rotary," said Westland District Judge and Rotarian Mark McConnell, as he presented the scholarships.

Winners this year included:

• Caroline Mahalak, a John Glenn High graduate and daughter of Gerard and Jocelyn Mahalak who will study study engineering at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

• Ashlyn Barnes, a Wayne Memorial High graduate and daughter of Michael Barnes and Rhonda Jones who will pursue a degree in psychology at Western Michigan University.

• Brianna Nolasco, a John Glenn High and William D. Ford Career Technical Center graduate and daughter of Maria Nolasco who will study film at Wayne State University.

• Summer Madison, a John Glenn High graduate and daughter of Ron and Sally Madison, who plans to study study occupational therapy at Eastern Michigan University.

Her award was presented in memory of Arlene Douglass, a Wayne-Westland Elementary teacher, by her husband, Don Douglass.

• Desmond Wheeler, a Tinkham Alternative High School graduate and son of Felicia Benson. He plans to culinary arts at Schoolcraft College.

• Dazon Adams-Chambers, a Tinkham Alternative High School graduate and son of Madelyn Chambers who will pursue a nursing degree at Henry Ford Community College.

McConnell introduced each winner with a brief account of their school and job activities and their accomplishments.

John Glenn High School principal David Ingham said that the class of 2015 is "just a great group of kids."

Friends and family members joined the Rotarians and students during the presentation.

Goodfellows raffling off Camaro

The Wayne Goodfellows are already looking ahead to the holiday season when the organization will provide holiday gifts and meals for the less fortunate in the community.

As a fundraiser, the group is raffling a 2010 Chevrolet Camaro worth about $20,000. Tickets are priced at $20 each and only 3,000 will be sold, according to Goodfellow Chris Geitzen.

The drawing will take place at a party planned for 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 29 following the Wayne Farmers Market in Goudy Park. Geitzen said there will be a live band and food and beer for sale. The drawing is set for 9 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased at Wayne City Hall which is temporarily located at 32101 Stellwagon St., the Wayne Community Center at 4635 Howe Road and at Henry's Service Center at 3041 S.Wayne Road, above the car can be seen.

Michigan Vet Fest set

The Michigan Vet Fest festival will open at noon July 18 and 19 at the VFW Hall Post 9885, 6440 North Hix Road in Westland. The entertainment will begin at 1 p.m. and will continue until 1 a.m. Saturday and 10 p.m. on Sunday.

There is a $10 donation suggested at the door and all proceeds go to the Wounded Warriors Project and to Veteran's Haven in Westland.

The event features bands, musicians and other entertainers along with beer, food, raffles and other activities.

The event is open to the public and is a fundraiser for the veteran's charities.

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Calendar of events

Jazz concerts begin Sunday

The Jazz in the Park Summer Concert Series will begin Sunday July 28 and continue through Aug. 30 in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

Admission to the concerts is free and three different jazz acts will perform each week. Acts appearing include; Alex Colista Quartet, Chris Rose Trio, Trio Re Enactment, Nathan Haddock Trio, Cory Allen Trio, Ellie Epstein Latin Trio, Gene-n-Tonic with special guest; Nicole New, Imari Jendayi and In The Tradition, Isis Damil and Zion Yisreal, Gary Greenfelder Trio, Melanie Rutherford, Systematic, Modtie Etiquette, Swingin' Chopin, Eric Movement, Brazil and Beyond and All Directions Band.

Audiences should bring lawn chairs. More information is available from Michael Malott, (718) 502-9926.

Library has summer hours

The Inkster Public Library has new summer hours and is now open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Tuesday, and from noon until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The library will be closed Fridays, Sundays and Mondays.

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster.

For more information, call (313)563-2822.

Farmer's Market opens

The Romulus Farmer's Market will now be open every Wednesday from noon until 6 p.m. through Oct. 14 at the Romulus Municipal Complex, 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus.

The market offers a new Kid's Club which includes a $2 coupon each month valid to spend at the market.

For more information, call (734) 955-4531 or www.facebook.com/RomulusFarmersMarket.

Straight-laced display under way

The Canton Historical Society has an exhibit of petticoats and drawers of the turn of the century now on displace at the Canton Historical Museum, 1022 South Canton Center Road in Canton.

The exhibit will continue through Aug. 23 from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, from 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays and from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

For more information, call (734) 397-0088.

Farm offers Story Time

Maybury Farm will host Story Time at 11 a.m. every Wednesday and Thursday throughout the summer. In addition to hearing a story about animals, children can visit with the live farm animals at the farm and play at the playground.

The cost for Story Time is included with the admission fee to the farm.

Maybury Farm is also offering Wagon Ride Wednesdays at 11:30 and noon on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

Admission to the farm is $2.50 per person and children younger than 3 are admitted at no cost. Wagon rides are $3 per person, those younger than 3 at no cost.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. It is 1-1/4 mile west of Beck Road on Eight Mile, 1/2 mile west of Maybury State Park. Enter at the Maybury Farm sign, do not enter the state park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, visit www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org

Yo-Yo Juggling camp set

The City of Plymouth Department of Recreation in cooperation with Duncan Crew Toy member YoJake will be hosting a summer Yo-yo/Juggling Camp for students ages 8-14.

This camp will be offered from 10:30 a.m. until noon Monday-Friday, July 6-10 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Advanced registration is required at the recreation office or online [https://plymouthwebtrac.net/wbwsc/miplymouwebtrac.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1] . The cost of the camp is $45 and City of Plymouth residents will receive a discounted price for the camp.

At the end of the week, students can show off their new tricks in the novice or intermediate camper division at the Mideast Regional Yo-yo Contest on Saturday, July 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Camp fee includes a free Yo-yo and the use of juggling equipment. For more information, call (734) 455-6620 from noon until 4:40 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Space is limited.

College for Kids offered

Wayne County Community College District Western Campus in Belleville will offer College for Kids Summer Camps for ages 11-14 July 6 through 23.

The all inclusive three-week camp experience includes classes in Lego Robotics, Forensic Photography, Video Game Design, Foreign Language Exploration, American Sign Language, Culinary Etiquette, Acting Workshop and Martial Arts.

The cost per camper is $125 but does not include lunch, which will be available for purchase.

To register, call (734) 699-7008. The campus is located at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

Basketball camp planned

Shooting Stars basketball skills camp for boys and girls in grades 1-9 takes place from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. July 8, 9 and 10.

The $100 fee includes instruction in the fundamental skills of basketball, a camp t-shirt, snack and a participation certificate. A $25 registration fee is due at registration. There are discounts available for siblings.

For registration, call Director Bill Hales at 734) 740-4230 or Kimberly Sloan at (734) 559-3952.

The classes will take place at Tyler Elementary School, 42200 Tyler Road in Belleville.

Registrations can be mailed to P.O. Box 1055, Belleville, Mi 48112.

Senator sets office hours

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck and District Manager Penny Crider will host monthly office hours from 7-8 a.m. July 10 in Northville at the George's Senate Coney Island and will be open to the public.

Colbeck will be on hand to answer questions and respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. No appointment is necessary.

Colbeck represents the 7th Senate District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne, as well as the townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth.

For more information or to contact Colbeck, visit www.SenatorPatrickColbeck.com or call (517) 373-5713.

Canton cops serve coffee

The Canton Police Department has scheduled Coffee with a Cop from 9-11 a.m. July 17 at Village Coney Island, 47182 Michigan Ave.

These on-going sessions are open to the public and provide a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in Canton's neighborhoods and business districts.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies or stressful situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building. Coffee with a Cop breaks down barriers and allows for relaxed one-on-one interaction. The Canton Police Department is holding multiple sessions throughout the community this year. If you have a business or organization interested in hosting a 2-hour session of Coffee with a Cop, contact the police department at (734) 394-5401.

Requirements to host a 2-hour session of Coffee with a Cop include having a Canton location, being open to the public and providing coffee for attendees.

ArtAffair on Main planned

ArtAffair on Main, a presentation of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts is planned for Saturday, July 25 and Sunday, July 26, along Main Street in downtown Belleville.

Eye-catching and unique fine arts and contemporary crafts will again be a mainstay on Main Street. There will also be entertainment on the main stage.

New this year, the CAF5 will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning on 4th Street in front of the old Fire Station.

Prior to the ArtAffair on Saturday morning, the Community Assistance Foundation will host a pancake breakfast to benefit to civic group which serves the less fortunate in the community.

Space camp is offered

Space Adventures, a summer camp for children, is planned for 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. July 27 through July 31 at the Western Campus of Wayne County Community College District, 9555 haggerty Road in Belleville.

There are two sessions, one for children in grades 1 through 3 and one of students in grades 4 through 6. The fee for the session is $20 and children should bring their own lunch.

Included will be hands-on activities and experiments covering all aspects of the solar system, eclipses, space exploration, black holes and the sun.

Early registration is requested as space is limited.

For more information or to register, call (313) 496-2704.

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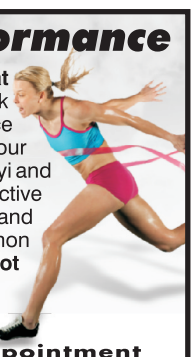

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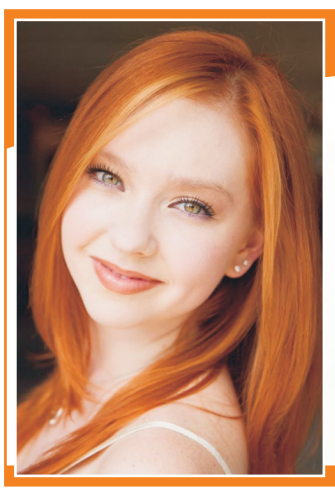

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